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THE UNIXED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re the Application of: OKAJIMA, Yoshinori

Group Art Unit: 2816

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FOR: TIMING CONTROLLER AND CONTROLLED DELAY CIRCUIT FOR CONTROLLING TIMING OR DELAY TIME OF A SIGNAL BY CHANGING PHASE THEREOF

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED July 27, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated July 27, 2004.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-16; and Group (II), Claims 17-28.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-16 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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